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Prior to examination of this continuation/continuation-in-part application, please enter the following amendments.

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Before the first line, please insert: -- This is a continuation of application number 08/913,840 filed 12 September 1997 and is a continuation-in-part of application number 08/681,180 filed 22 July 1996, now patent number 5,870,618. --

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Line 18, replace "of" with -- as --.

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Lines 18, replace "test" with -- dest. --.